

Please replace the paragraph at column 4, lines 25-39 with the following:

FIG. 1 is a schematic view of a catheter 10 according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention. The catheter 10 includes a body 12, handle 14 and a steering mechanism 16 which couples the proximal end of the body 12 to the handle 14. The handle 14 and steering mechanism 16 are well known in the art and need not be described in detail. Preferably, the catheter incorporates the steering mechanism described in U.S. patent [application Ser.] No. 5,954,654 [08/792,897], entitled "Steering Mechanism and Steering Line For a Catheter-Mounted Ultrasonic Transducer," filed Jan. 31, 1997 [(Attorney Docket No. 5050/171)] which is assigned to the assignee of this invention, and which is hereby specifically incorporated by reference.

Please replace the paragraph at column 4, lines 46-65 with the following:

Preferably the catheter incorporates extended flexible circuits such as described in U.S. patent [application Ser.] No. 5,795,299 [08/791,601], entitled "Ultrasonic Transducer Array With Extended Flexible Circuits," filed Jan. 31, 1997 [(Attorney Docket No. 505/161)] assigned to the assignee of this invention, and which is hereby specifically incorporated herein by reference. Also preferably the catheter incorporates an electrical interconnection system such as that described in U.S. patent [application Ser.] No. 5,797,848 [08/792,291], entitled "Ultrasonic Transducer Assembly With Improved Electrical Interface," filed Jan. 31, 1997 [(Attorney Docket No. 5050/169)] assigned to the assignee of this invention, and which is hereby specifically incorporated herein by reference. Also the distal end of the catheter may be formed according to the teachings of U.S. patent [application Ser.] No. 5,846,205 [08/791,598], entitled "Catheter Mounted Phased Array Ultrasound Transducer With Improved Imagery," filed Jan. 31, 1997 [(Attorney Docket No. 5050/170)] which is assigned to the assignee of this invention and which is specifically incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace the paragraph at column 7, lines 21-30 with the following:

Image reconstruction techniques are described in greater detail in U.S. patent application Ser. No. 08/807,498, (abandoned in favor of continuation U.S. Patent No.

6,014,473) entitled "Multiple Ultrasound Image Registration System, Method, and Transducer," concurrently filed herewith [(Attorney Docket No. 5050/183)] which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 08/621,561 (abandoned), filed Mar. 25, 1996 which is a continuation-in-part of provisional application Ser. No. 60/012,578 filed Feb. 29, 1996, all of which are assigned to the assignee of the present invention and all of which are hereby incorporated herein by reference.